ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A plug in communications module for achieving bi-directional communication

along a single fiber-optic cable in a fiber-optic network. The plug in module is made

such that it plugs directly into fiber-optic communication equipment of standard form

factors. Bi-directional communication is achieved by using a low-cost circulator. The

plug in module also has a receptacle that is used for attaching a patch cable between the

fiber-optic network in the plug in module.

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